## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A method for prevention of insulin-dependent diabetes comprising administering an effective amount of a cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitor or repressor of NF-kB activation to an individual having a possible predisposition to or showing signs of development of Type 1 diabetes.
- 2. The method of claim 1 wherein COX-2 activity is decreased by the inhibition or the repression.
  - 3. The method of claim 1 wherein the cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitor is NS-398.
  - 4. The method of claim 1 wherein the repressor is PDTC.
- 5. The method of claim-1-wherein the therapeutic effective amount of cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitor is from about 2 mg/kg to about 10 mg/kg body weight.
- 6. The method of claim 1 wherein the effective amount of repressor is from about 25 to about 250 mg/kg/day.
- 7. The method of claim 1 where the individual's predisposition is determined by at least one of a history of Type 1 diabetes in an immediate family member and finding antibodies directed toward antigens of the individual's pancreatic beta cells.

- 8. A method of inhibiting allograft rejections comprising administration of an effective amount of a COX-2 inhibitor or repressor of NF-κB activation to an allograft recipient.
  - 9. The method of claim 5 wherein the allograft is pancreas, kidney, liver or heart.
- 10. A method for prevention of insulin-dependent diabetes comprising administering an effective amount of NS-398 or PTC to an individual having a possible predisposition to or showing signs of development of Type 1 diabetes.
- 1 Y. A method for prevention of insulin-dependent diabetes comprising administering an effective amount of NS-398 to an individual having a possible predisposition to or showing signs of development of Type 1 diabetes.
- 12. A method for prevention of insulin-dependent diabetes comprising administering an effective amount of PDTC to an individual having a possible predisposition to or showing signs of development of Type 1 diabetes.
- 13. The method of claim 10 where the individual's predisposition is determined by at least one of a history of Type 1 diabetes in an immediate family member and finding antibodies directed toward antigens of the individual's pancreatic beta cells.
- 14. An inhibitor of COX-2 activity or a repressor of NF-κB activation for use in the prevention of Type I diabetes or allograft rejection.

- 15. A method for prevention or treatment of diabetic complications comprising administering an effective amount of a cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitor or repression of NF-κB activation to an individual having Type 1 diabetes.
- 16. The method of claim 15 where the complications are nephropathy, retinopathy, neuropathy or cardiovascular disease.
- 17. The method of claim 15 wherein COX-2 activity is decreased by the inhibition or the repression.
  - 18. The method of claim 15 wherein the cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitor is NS-398.
  - 19. The method of claim 15 wherein the repression is PDTC.
- 20. The method of claim 15 wherein the therapeutic effective amount of cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitor is from about 2 mg/kg to about 10 mg/kg body weight.
- 21. The method of claim 15 wherein the effective amount of repression is from about 25 to about 250 mg/kg/day.
- 22. A method for prevention or treatment of diabetic complications comprising administering an effective amount of NS-398 or PDTC to an individual having Type 1 diabetes.

23. A method for prevention or treatment of diabetic complications comprising administering an effective amount of NS-398 to an individual having Type 1 diabetes.